

turn to General File and LB 152.

CLERK: Madam President, may I read some items?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Items for the record first.

CLERK: Notice of hearings from the Education Committee and the Urban Affairs Committee and the Retirement Committee, signed by their respective Chairs. And your Committee on Education, whose Chair is Senator Bohlke, reports LB 159 to General File and LB 34 as indefinitely postponed.

Madam President, LB 152, a bill introduced by Senator Schimek. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 6 of this year, at that time referred to the Revenue Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments pending at this time, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair recognizes Senator Schimek to open on LB 152.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body, this is my one small stroke, I guess, for government efficiency. A couple of years ago this Legislature passed a bill which provided that we have voter registration cards enclosed in each income tax booklet so that people who had moved or had recently come into the state or for any reason were not properly registered could so easily and quickly by mail. And the idea was to do that every other year so that we would catch people at least that often. The cost of that bill was estimated to be somewhere between \$15,000 and \$20,000 for the two-year biennium. Because we passed motor-voter last year and because motor-voter is fairly inclusive, it reaches anybody who goes to apply for a driver's license as well as a number of people in other agencies for other main agencies I decided that probably this was a redundant exercise to have the income tax booklets include the motor-voter registration anymore. So this bill would simply sunset that bill which we passed a couple of years ago. It would save about, actually about \$13,500 for the biennium and I would simply ask you to advance this to E & R. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Any further discussion on LB 152? Seeing none, Senator Schimek, do you wish to close? Closing is waived. The question before the body is the